

Students may take classes "under the stars" by next fall

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News editor

Discussions are currently under way about turning UNO's Mallory Kountze Planetarium into a dual-use room.

A proposed change would refurbish the room and upgrade its equipment so that it could serve as a classroom as well as a planetarium.

The project would be funded entirely through private grants, said David Kriegler, a UNO astronomy professor.

The budget cuts and diminishing public interest put a stop to the weekly laser and star shows at the planetarium last year. The last laser light show aired on Dec. 20, 2002.

Since then, mainly school groups who come to see special star shows during the week have used the room. The planetarium also kept its "What's Up" program, a star show on the first weekend of every month about current happenings in the sky.

After renovating the place and putting in high-tech equipment, the planetarium could be used more often than just for those three to five sessions a week.

"The university wanted us to be more efficient," Kriegler said.

As a classroom, the planetarium could hold approximately 80 students, he said. "That takes a big load

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New Durham Research Center a "state-of-the-art" facility

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The new Durham Research Center at UNMC will soon open its doors and provide a working environment for national and international researchers.

The \$77 million, 10-story research center, located near 45th and Emile Streets, is the largest building on the UNMC campus. It provides 116 laboratories, a 319-seat auditorium, three classrooms and 12 conference rooms.

"This state-of-the-art research facility and the research it will house will further fuel our quest to be world-class," said UNMC Chancellor Harold M. Maurer. "It will enable us to make more headway in diagnosing and treating, and hopefully preventing many of the diseases that still plague Nebraska and the nation today."

Maurer said they kept upgrading the building's technology as the center was being built, with the last upgrade only three weeks ago.

One thing Maurer said was

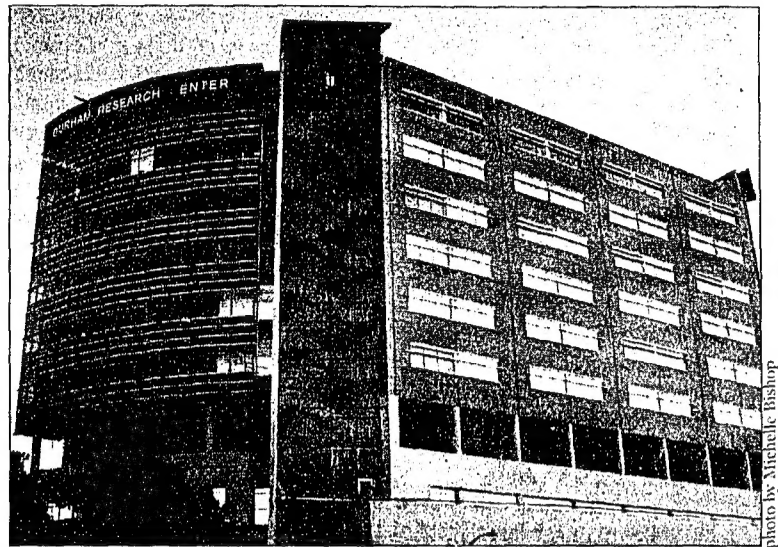


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Durham Research Center, located near 45th and Emile Streets, is the largest building on the UNMC campus.

important to the administration was to make sure to include a Level 3 biology lab, which is a highly secure laboratory necessary to conduct bioterrorism research. UNMC was recently announced as one of four finalists for a

grant by the Department of Homeland Security to establish a national research center related to the economic consequences of terrorism.

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Haley Fries congratulates Ashley Grace, No. 2, after scoring a goal. With regional wins over Truman State and Minnesota State-Mankato, UNO is just one win away from returning to the Division II final four.

Association to help make life easier for Sudanese immigrants in Nebraska

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Adjusting to life in a foreign country can be difficult. The South Sudan Students Association tries to make the transition easier for Sudanese immigrants in Nebraska.

The organization held its kickoff program Friday at UNO. The group was established two years ago with the mission of aiding the growing Sudanese population in Omaha, said Gatong Gatluak, president of the organization.

"Many of the Sudanese in Nebraska come from small villages, and life in America is really different," Gatluak said. "We need help trying to adjust."

With more than 7,000 Sudanese immigrants, Nebraska has one of the largest Sudanese populations in the United States, said David Chang, adjunct professor of political science at UNO and keynote speaker at the event.

Part of the group's mission is to help those immigrants adjust to life in this country and promote education within the community. Gatluak said the group is planning to set up tutoring centers around the city to help new immigrants learn English.

Both Gatluak and Chang also

expressed the need to educate people in Nebraska about the Southern Sudanese.

"When you see the Sudanese here...try to ask them why they are here," Chang said. "I want the students on this campus to know exactly why the Sudanese are here."

Gatluak added that cultural misunderstandings have led to some problems for the Sudanese. For example, he said there have been cases of the police mistaking the traditional markings on the faces of some Sudanese for gang-related markings.

"All students are invited to come and learn about us," Gatluak said.

In his speech, Chang, who came to the United States as a refugee in the 1970s, emphasized the importance of education and discussed the war in Sudan that has driven so many refugees to this country.

Sudan, he said, has been torn by civil war between the predominantly Muslim North and the South on and off since 1955. The North wants Sudan to be an Islamic state. However, Chang said, a country that is so multi-ethnic and multi-lingual cannot be ruled under one culture.

Chang said the war in Sudan is not just a religious war. Other causes for the conflict include a lack of power sharing, lack of

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News editor

Weight Watchers on Campus to start next 11-week series

UNO Weight Watchers on Campus will start a new 11-week session Wednesday. The meetings will begin at 1 p.m. in Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building, Room 103. The program is open to all interested faculty, staff and students. There is no registration fee to join, and the cost is \$109.50 for 11 meetings. For more information, contact Kane Miller in Campus Recreation at 554-3917.

Pan-Hellenic council to break down stereotypes about greek organizations

The National Pan-Hellenic Council will hold a forum Wednesday to break down stereotypes and educate, inform and answer questions about greek organizations. The forum will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center Fireplace Lounge.

Media forum examines Pratt coverage in local media

Several UNO organizations join Thursday for a forum to examine how the death of Omaha police officer Jason Pratt was covered by local media. The forum, "Making of a Hero: Jason Pratt and the Media," will be held from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Participant speakers include representatives from the *Omaha World-Herald*, local television stations,

Creighton University Medical Center, the Omaha Police Department and the Gateway. The event is free and open to the public. Sponsors are the UNO chapters of the Public Relations Student Society of America, the Society of Professional Journalists and the Ad Club.

Obesity debate is topic on next "Consider This..." show

Obesity and its status as a disease will be discussed on the next "Consider This..." with host Carol Schrader. Schrader's guests will be Ranjan Sudan, director of the Bariatric Surgery Program at Creighton University, and two professionals who work with obese children. They will discuss public perceptions of obesity, scientific facts about the problem and whether or not it should be classified as a disease. "Consider This..." is a production of UNO Television. It will air statewide on Nebraska ETV at 11:30 a.m. Sunday. The program will be rebroadcast at 1:30 p.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Wednesday on NETV2, Nebraska ETV's cable network. "Consider This..." also airs on The Knowledge Network of Greater Omaha. Check The Knowledge Network Web site at www.tknomaha.org for days and times. Archived editions of the program are available on the UNO Television Web site at www.unotv.unomaha.edu.

UNO preschool class holds food drive through Nov. 20

The preschool class at the UNO Child Care Center is participating in a

service learning project this month to help the Omaha Food Bank stock its shelves in preparation for the cooler weather and holiday season. The preschoolers are collecting nonperishable food items through Nov. 20. The class has set a goal of collecting 200 items. To donate nonperishable food items, deliver them to the center or call 554-3398 and request to have the items picked up. At the conclusion of the drive, the preschoolers will personally deliver the items to the Omaha Food Bank.

Service-Learning Academy to host brown bag lunch Nov. 24

The Service-Learning Academy at UNO will host a brown bag seminar Nov. 24.

The seminar will focus on affordable housing, the university's first service-learning interdisciplinary project. The event will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Student Center Gallery Room. The presenters are David Corbin, Celeste Mitchell, Rebecca Pasco and Marilyn Leach. To attend, RSVP to 554-2427 or LA@lists.unomaha.edu. Light refreshments will be provided for those who pre-register.

Winter Coat Drive in University Library through Nov.

The UNO Child Care Center C.H.A.M.P.S. (Children, Home, Academics, Motivation, Parents, Support) organization is sponsoring a winter coat drive through Nov. 27. The

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UNO student recovering from coma after car crash

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Small things we often take for granted, like being able to squeeze a loved one's hand, sticking out our tongue or rubbing chap stick between our lips, have become small victories for 18-year-old Jaime Snodgrass.

The freshman business and marketing major was involved in a two-vehicle collision Oct. 21 near 120th Street and Miracle Hills Drive and sustained life-threatening injuries from the accident. She lay in a coma for several weeks at the Nebraska Medical Center.

Recently, Snodgrass was transferred to the Immanuel Rehab Center. Her condition was upgraded to serious.

Her family and friends say they are grateful for the improvement.

"She is making a little progress everyday, but it will still be another couple of weeks before she can see anybody," said her mother, Kim Harris.

Having suffered a mild stroke at the time of the accident, Snodgrass has shown signs of improvement and is now undergoing physical therapy for her injuries.

She is now more alert and responding to commands said her nurse. Snodgrass is doing really good and shows promise.

Snodgrass, a native of Louisville, Neb., is known for her energetic spirit and kind heart. Stephanie Sierks, a roommate of Snodgrass who lives in the University Village apartments, often spent time with her. Sierks and Snodgrass would have lunch once a week. Sierks said it was their special time to catch up on each other's lives. They would also spend a day together looking at pictures and sharing memories.

"We shared a lot of life history as roommates, to try to get a sense of who she was and who I was in high school," Sierks said.

Snodgrass excelled as an active member of her Burke High School DECA team. Her team traveled all over the country for competitions.

Snodgrass is a very caring and people-oriented person, a lover of pictures and poetry. She is a person whose laughter often lights up a room, Sierks said.

"Everyday, she would ask me how my day went and how I'm feeling. She was very considerate of how I was doing," she said.

You could often find Snodgrass hanging out with her family or spending time with her boyfriend, Brad Noack. The

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Research at the center will include some of the areas UNMC has been working on before but also some new areas, said Vicky Cerino, spokesperson for the Medical Center. The research will focus on UNMC's areas of excellence: bioterrorism preparedness, cancer, transplantation and stem cell therapy, cardiovascular disease, neuroscience, genetics and eye research.

The medical center has been recruiting new researchers over the past

four years, Maurer said. About 55 researchers will move into the facility between the end of November and February and fill up about 75 percent of the building space. The other quarter is still vacant and will be available for new recruits, Maurer said.

"We want to recruit people here that also may bring some new dynamics to UNMC," Cerino said.

The Durham Research Center is

named after Chuck Durham, an Omaha philanthropist and major contributor to the funding of the center. With the exception of \$2.5 million in federal funds secured by Nebraska's Congressional Delegation, the center was funded entirely through private grants.

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Fascination of the city that never sleeps

It was never my dream to visit New York City until last summer. The city made up of a melting pot of nearly 20 million people never attracted me personally. Nature always fascinated me more than any kind of material glory.

Nevertheless, when I set my first step in one of the busiest cities of the world, it left me with mixed feelings. I was excited, as well as having apathy for the city.

Coming from Nepal, a small landlocked country, then moving to Nebraska, where you could go miles and sometimes not run into a single car or person, I was mesmerized

Nepal to Nebraska



Shilu Neupane

by the never-ending skyscrapers. I was overwhelmed when I lifted my head and not see the sky, like I'm normally use to seeing. Instead, I saw skyscrapers, the manmade grandeur of New York City. My eyes were tired, but the sights were so exciting, and there was still more to see.

The city was divided into four major boroughs: Queens, Bronx, Manhattan and Brooklyn. The diversity

within each part of the city was astounding. It really has something for everyone.

Times square, the Empire State and Chrysler Buildings, Bloomberg Tower, the

Statue of Liberty and the heartrending relics of the former Twin Towers at ground zero are examples of the things one should not miss. The bridge on the Hudson River and the underwater subway are works of the human mind. The subway, which was built 100 years earlier, is a wonder and perfection for the people of modern science and technology. Besides having prestigious universities like NYU and Columbia, it has several art centers and museums, magnificent structures of buildings, parks, etc.

The Chinatown and Jackson Heights of New York made me feel as if I was in China or India

Once touched by New York City, I cannot avoid the truth that no city in the world would ever attract like New York City.

It is heaven and hell. It is clean and dirty.

Every crowd seems to be busy and lost in its own world. Everyone seems to be self-sufficient, not wishing for anything. However, its motion and its speed bothered me. Its glitter and its silence bothered me.

After visiting New York City, I do not think I will be same person again, as I found the sprout of change I never realized was in me before. I was never fascinated and driven by the manmade magic, the city life, as I was a nature-loving person. In those skyscrapers, I have seen millions of people, with stories about its charm and spell on them.

My friends have their own opinions about New York City but everyone agrees that they cannot help but love it. I hate myself for loving New York City so much!

A potentially futile exercise in writing

I have always believed that my writings can have an impact – albeit a small one – in the reader. I hope in the end they will be beneficial to the country and to the world. I wish, though, that I could be more provocative and more threatening to those I am writing against, because, sometimes, that may have a larger impact.

Depending on which of my government sources to trust, because of my previous Asian newspaper columns, I was ranked in the two hundreds or one hundreds among the top wanted men by an Asian regime for "outspoken-ness." At one point in time, close to one hundred of the political dissidents in that country were sent to jail without trial, so the lower "ranking" was a clear and present danger on a personal level. I've wanted to be controversial and provocative, but not to the point where my life is in danger.

Today's column is a much watered-down version of something I've wanted to say. It may not anger some political and religious extremists as much as the original version would. Nonetheless the savvy will still get much of what I wanted to say. It may yet be a futile exercise for some readers whose political minds have long been closed to new ideas.

Imagine for a moment that, like 95 percent of the world's population, you were not born American. Imagine further that, like two-thirds of the world's population, you were born in a country that is far less democratic than the U.S. and much of Western Europe. And, you can't get out of that country.

Your country is mired in a vicious cycle of corruption, dictatorial rule and economic and political backwardness. Marshal Law is not something you saw on TV starring Sammo Hung, but a daily reality on the street. Yours is a land where a dictator rules, people either pray to the ruler or they suffer as a consequence of their disobedience to the ruler and to their "God." Religion is fully exploited by those in power to justify dictatorial regime.

You are educated, you're branded as Western-minded and you truly know what's going on. Sure you can easily join the ranks of some Western graduates who collude with the corrupted government, but too bad you know better. You don't want to enter history as a villain, scorned

Making sense



Tin Mak

for thousands of years by future generations of history students in your country and elsewhere. And you don't want to be blamed by the future generations for having lived there but taken no action to change the regime. But what can you do? Apart from academic and popular writing and public speeches – watered-down versions at that – you are not exactly the type who take to the streets – those are either too desperate or too naïve, none of which is really you.

You are too busy with your work, your family, your reading and your studies. Frankly, watching movies and TV is more fun than risking your lives to join the underground urban insurgents or tropical forest guerrillas. You know very well how much blood has been shed over the years and a losing war is not one you want to fight.

You hope that one day, some foreign power with both the ability and the willingness to put their soldiers' lives on the front line would be kind enough to come and kick the corrupt, dictatorial butt (as we speak, you can easily count more than ten countries currently still waiting for that to happen).

Judging from world history of the past 100 years, who do you think can be trusted to come over to your country and do exactly that?

Which country is militarily strong enough and at the same time (fortunately enough for world peace) determined enough to use their military might not to conquer other democracies, but to help root out dictatorships that have gone too far?

You get the idea.

I had not heard of J.M. Coetzee until I perused the contents of an e-mail I recently received from an acquaintance. It was a collection of commentaries about Coetzee – a professor who was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature this year. According to what I was able to gather, the award generated controversy in the literary community, especially from people in Coetzee's South African

constituency. Coetzee, by all accounts is a distinguished writer with several awards to his name. However the Nobel honor attracted much debate because he is white and because of a supposed insinuation in his novel, *Disgrace*, that the fall of the apartheid regime in South Africa necessitated the emigration of white people from that country. Why? Perhaps because of what he calls "huge moral debts," but it could also be because of other reasons.

The charges that have been leveled against the Nobel committee range from harboring a plan to "paint the literary scene of the African continent white" to other devious political designs. An interesting paragraph in the e-mail that I received compared Coetzee to V.S. Naipul (an Indian born Nobel prize winner) and attacked the Nobel committee for "praising those who ridicule the third world." The article mentioned that in the post-apartheid setting of *Disgrace* the protagonist's daughter ends up being raped by two black men – symbols, critics observe, of his slanted view of a new South Africa.

However, nothing interested me in the mail I received as much as the idea that white people should emigrate from post-apartheid South Africa as well as the fact that such a call had supposedly been made by a white writer of influence. It got me thinking about the immensely complex interactions the era of imperialism has created amongst the world's populations. It is true that in South Africa day-to-day living entails making well thought out moral decisions that persons in other "normal" countries are not saddled with – but does this pattern hold for instance, in Australia. Where the native populations are still to a large extent dispossessed and disenfranchised? Does it hold in Malaysia or in North Africa? Does it hold in the United States of America?

It seems the burden of history never goes away. History crops up at every corner, adamant but patient – noisome and greedy;

Coming to America



Fisayo Adejuyigbe

demanding resolutions. We are prisoners of our history and our morality is nothing but an attempt to balance out the excesses of bygone times. In effect, we all live arbitrary lives, built upon the past and possessing not an iota of objectivity. The great and the powerful amongst the nations are not excused from this burden. Our existence revolves around shifts from one pole (the historical extreme) to another (the

"balanced view" of the present) which in due time becomes in itself another extreme. I noticed a few weeks after arriving in this country that there were months set aside to celebrate certain populations – this month is one such month; at present, the nation is supposed to celebrate "Native Americans." There are several instructive things about this.

Firstly, the concept of "Native Americans" is problematic because it involves redefining the populations in question in a context that is anything but native. The quintessential American idea as defined by its crafters excludes these populations. This may be a minor issue as people may choose any framework for self-definition.

Secondly, I once watched a Native American speaking a rally. He introduced himself as the leader of a native population and mentioned that people often asked him if he was a foreigner. Thus, it is not only the quintessential American idea that is problematic: America's popular image also excludes these supposed natives. They are hidden away, unseen – the outside world does not know about these natives. They are not represented within their own context in the popular images America broadcasts of itself. Now, there may be many reasons for this – perhaps they have been lost in the crowd, perhaps they have chosen to hide themselves or perhaps they have been hidden away.

Thirdly, unlike Coetzee's group, which lost power and considered it an affront to "collective dignity," the institutions that largely define the lives of these natives show no sign of weakening.

Finally, I once said to someone (like I mentioned above) that we are prisoners of our history. In other words, every step, every breadth is taken to resolve the unbalanced equations of our existence that we have inherited from the past. She replied: "No. I am not a prisoner of my history. I am a prisoner of

What does the word "different" mean?

KEN MCKICKLE

Columnist

What does the word "different" mean? In most instances, it stands for something being out of place, not normal or not like everything else. As for the dictionary, "different" is described by the following:

1. Unlike in form, quality, amount, or nature; dissimilar

2. Distinct or separate

3. Differing from all others; unusual

Often it is used in a somewhat negative aspect showing that something is not ordinary or that we don't like it because it is not what we think is normal or unlike us.

The other day, I was in class and there were two girls sitting in front of me describing another girl who happens to sit near them most days. In their gossip, I heard the word "different" come up numerous times. They were describing how they didn't approve of her way of dressing, the styles of music she "probably" listens to, the types of people she "probably" hung out with and the types of things she "probably" believes in. I know everyone reading this has at one point in time been a part

of this and probably hears things like this often in their daily lives. I usually try to block out these types of things but their conversation bothered me like an annoying gnat for the past week.

With no actual knowledge of what type of person that girl was, they continued their judgement. The two "normal" girls felt comfort in knowing that they were dressed "normal," that they listened to "normal" music and that they surrounded themselves with people who act and talk "normal." Maybe it's just me, but that lifestyle seems boring. Why would anyone want to constantly dress in ways that are expected of them and act in ways that other people think they should act just because for some reason those other people know what's important in your life and what's good for you.

Sorry to burst any bubbles, but they aren't inside your head and they have no idea how you think, what you feel and exactly who you are. Very few people, however, can find the strength to let themselves follow their own mind instead of following the mind of another. Being different is hard and in many instances it can suck. But it is better to follow your mind

and do what you feel is right for you than to listen to someone else and to follow their lead, leaving your own thoughts and ideas to be thrown away easily.

It's funny, but at this present moment we are for the most part a society of clones, unimaginative, uncreative and

unhappy people. We wear what Calvin Klein and Tommy Hilfiger say we should wear because all the stars and rich people wear them, so we should as well. We eat what Jenny Craig tells us to eat because for some reason she knows exactly how our metabolism works and what foods we do and don't like. If you follow her diets and deprive yourself of the foods you enjoy, then you can have the tall, slender and starved look that all the superficial, unhappy, anorexic models have.

What's wrong with being unique, creative, and in many cases "different?" What's wrong with wearing a shirt that you found at the local thrift store because you think it's the coolest shirt that you or anyone could own, listening to music that no one else has heard or has in their CD case, talking to a stranger because they seemed interesting or acting like a dork because you just don't care what anyone around will say. The answer? NOTHING.

People conform because it is easier to follow the lead and to imitate others than it is to be creative and to follow their own mind in what they truly think is right, cool, or interesting.

I don't know about all of you, but I'm going to speak my mind, wear what I want, listen to what I want and act how I want to act because that's who I am and I'm not going to go against that.

It's easy for some individuals to be unique and to be themselves, but the hard part is to get others to do the same. I'm hoping that anyone out there who isn't afraid to be unique and "different" will learn to spread that knowledge

on to others to help make the life of someone else better.

I used to be a conformist and I was a clone of society. But now after learning to follow my own mind and heart, I have grown a lot as a person. I now am finding out more about myself than ever and I'm learning to be content with being different from others. A good number of the greatest minds and most influential people in history, such as the great inventors, writers, musicians and leaders, were all great because they had new and awesome ideas. Instead of hiding, they let themselves be heard.

If you want to dress differently, listen to different music, or act differently than others, then I hope you can do that and that you are comfortable in doing so. For everyone who isn't different in any way and enjoy conforming, don't look at the other different people and think of them as weird. Look at them as a unique individual and someone that if you took the time to talk to them or get to know them, they may actually have a lot more in common with you than you could have imagined. I urge everyone reading this to open and expand your mind, learn as much about yourself as possible, accept your differences and urge others accept them as well. Learn to accept the differences of those other people and try meet as many new and interesting people as possible. Who knows, you might learn that there's a whole other world out there waiting to be explored if you learn to leave your shell.

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my dreams." I said to her: "And what are your dreams but the response of your soul to your history?" And perhaps this

is the greatest lesson of all. America is adept at adapting and proficient at appearing to adapt. This is why she survives. She looks back and cunningly pacifies the ghosts of the past; she defines

her dreams by this pacification. This in the end is the lesson that is for all, especially for those that find themselves in like shoes as the Boers.

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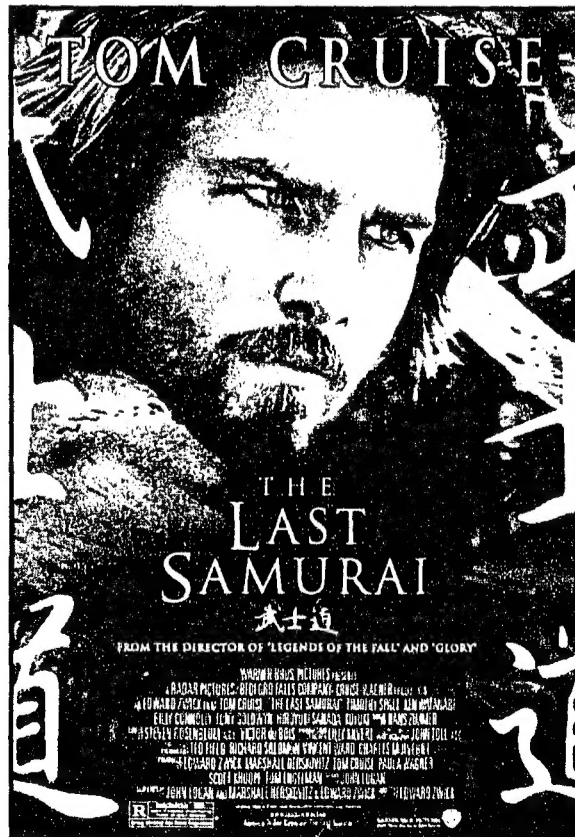
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Russell Simmons: Hip-Hop patriarch

J. PARKER ADAIR

Senior staff writer

Russell Simmons is to hip-hop what McDonald's Ray Kroc is to fast food. He didn't invent the stuff, but he marketed it so well that it became mainstream.

Simmons grew up in middle-class Queens, N.Y. and was involved in a street gang, seeing many of the pitfalls of the street life. Those experiences are what helped him mold a product that reflected the realness of people in the inner city.

When Simmons attended City College of New York in Harlem, he discovered how rap music appealed to young-blacks from the inner city. By watching rappers perform in parks and on street corners, he saw how crowds would flock to them as prophets of the streets. These new entertainers told life as it was and gave their experiences a biblical feel.

Simmons saw the way the audiences responded to the street poets and found them to be the next resource to be tapped by the recording industry.

In 1979, Simmons had his first break. His company, named Rush, debuted its first album after producing several college parties featuring rap artists.

After leaving college to pursue his new goal of getting rap to the public, Simmons teamed up with Rick Rubin, another aspiring rap producer. The duo formed Def Jam records in 1984 and one year later, signed with CBS records as a distributor.

Simmons had his shot but had to prove himself and the genre as worthy in the public eye. Within the first three years of Def Jam's existence, Simmons released albums by the Beastie Boys, L.L. Cool J. and Run-DMC. The three dominated the black charts.

Rush, as he is nicknamed, attributes a great portion of this to street credibility. His performers dress like their listeners. If they're telling a story about life in the ghetto, Simmons

felt it was important that they look like they did when they lived there. Listeners saw these performers as guys down the street rather than some extravagant larger-than-life crushed velvet persona.

One of the biggest names Rush released was Public Enemy. The group burst on the scene in the late 80's and turned music on its head. They refused to shy away from hard topics and told the story of the streets like no band had done before or since.

As Def Jam records grew, so did hip-hop culture. From the birth of Def Jam came a media conglomerate known as Rush Communications. It includes Def Jam's record label, Def Pictures' movie production, Oneworld Magazine and Rush Media Co., an advertising firm.

Rush also has produced television shows. Def Comedy Jam has featured such acts as Chris Rock. Def Poetry Jam features acts of all races and ethnic backgrounds and ranges from older white males with heartfelt spoken word to young Latinas singing their poetry. The company has also produced Russell Simmons' One World Music Beat.

In addition to all of that, Simmons has released one of the most successful urban clothing labels around. Phat Farm can be found just about anywhere on the street worn fashionably by people from several different walks of life.

There is no question that Simmons can be considered the father of hip-hop culture. The genre would likely have been discovered sooner or later, but without Simmons' keen eye for marketing, it may have been reduced to a passing fad. Without Simmons, hip-hop would not have its own month, but would be remembered only by the tapes that are sold for a quarter at a garage sale. How fitting for a genre that rose from poverty.

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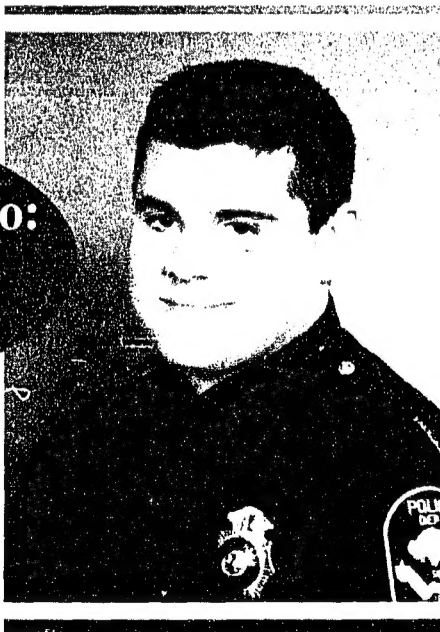
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Planet X gravitates fun for all ages

REVIEW BY JOSH BASHARA

Staff writer

Move over Mars, there's a new planet in town. Taking into account all the new life forms inhabiting this strange new world, it's a safe bet that this one's here to stay.

Docked smack-dab on the corner of 84th and West Center Streets, Planet X occupies the same building Mars Music once called home. Instead of drum kits, guitars and keyboards, though, Planet X offers video games, laser tag and ... space bikes?

That's right; space bikes are one of the many unusual activities Planet X features. This ride, imported from Belgium, will flip you upside down and up to 20 feet off the ground.

Planet X's unique offerings don't stop there, though. Two different rock-climbing walls keep the action intense; there's a 20-foot static wall to venture or a computerized wall that dynamically shifts angle according to real-life climbs across the world.

To keep the sweat pouring, you can give spaceball or jumpshot a try. Jumpshot is a new activity to Omaha, a fast-paced basketball-like game in which trampolines are incorporated into taking jump shots.

And then there's an Aztec-themed miniature golf course, spanning 18 holes and filled with obstacles. The course is refreshingly new and well kept, full of vibrant decorations and a lush jungle motif. If mini golf isn't your cup of tea, you might want to check out the golf cage, an indoor miniature driving range. It's



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Planet X is located on the corner of 84th and West Center Streets.

sort of like a batting cage, only your distance is measured rather than speed.

Laser tag, bumper cars and micro bowling (slightly smaller balls, pins and lanes) round out the action to an almost overwhelming level. Your only problem in Planet X will be trying out everything in just one evening.

The arcade/ticket games make up just a small part of the entertainment complex, but the games offered are the ones you want to play. Time Crises, Silent Scope, Tekken Tag and a bunch of other racing-style and fighting games ensure there will be a game of your liking, minus the cheese (a.k.a. Bubble Bobble). They've even got a few pool tables and foosball.

Lastly, there's the icing on the cake — beer. That's right, Planet X miraculously cleared a liquor license with the state, which means you can play arcade games, miniature golf and

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Cell phones: An answer to prayers or a plague?

MATT VOLKMAN

Staff writer

Since cell phones have been introduced, the world has undergone change. Cell phones are now a staple in American culture and prevalent throughout college campuses.

According to a recent poll taken of fifty UNO students, 76 percent of students have seen an increase in cell phones since they started here. Sixty-one percent said they had landline phones, but the majority said they use their cell phones much more.

When surveyed about how many minutes they use each month, the majority of the responses varied from 300 to 1,000 minutes. Seventy-four percent responded as paying for their own phone bill with the majority of people willing to spend less than \$50 on their phone bill.

Now many colleges across the United States are trying to get involved by negotiating new student service plans. According to usatoday.com, Miami University of Ohio had 130,000 fewer long-distance calls from students on campus and 273,000 fewer calls from students off campus, which amounts to a loss of \$300,000 in telephone revenues.

The university began offering a student plan with Cincinnati Bell to create new revenue.

Meanwhile, a large number of schools, including San Diego State University, Denison University of Ohio and State University of New York at Albany have begun to use a new phone company called CampusCell. The company offers rates of \$1.50 to \$2.50 a month to every enrolled user.

Yet, St. Norbert College of Wisconsin found these plans do not always work. The college found the plan would cost close to five times as much as the original landline phones after giving free cell phones with service, despite the fact that the majority of students already had cell phones.

According to the UNO survey, the most popular service plans were Sprint with 42 percent and Verizon with 28 percent, while the most popular wireless phones are

Samsung, Motorola and Sanyo. The top uses for cell phones, excluding making phone calls, were text messaging (38 percent), calendar (32 percent), downloading ringtones (20 percent), downloading games (16 percent), pictures and photo sharing (14 percent) and accessing the web (14 percent).

When asked which features were most desired, the reply was camera and phone sharing (28 percent), stylish overall design (24 percent), downloadable games and ringtones (16 percent) and color screen (14 percent).

Right now, camera phones seem to be high in demand. Eighty million camera phones are used worldwide and more are coming for the Christmas season.

"I really like my cell phone cam because I always have something to take pictures with, just in case I need to," said UNO student Bobby Vacanti. "There were two times I wanted to capture a moment, but didn't have a camera with me."

These new phones allow the user to take pictures at any time and are considered very handy, but are they necessary?

Undergrad Josh Sauer said, "It's a nice feature, but I never use mine."

Camera phones have been receiving a lot of attention lately, and not just from college students. These phones have also caught the eye of Nebraska's top prosecutors. These phones could soon get all camera phones banned from locker rooms. It is a misdemeanor to record or take photos of someone in the "state of undress," "without his or her consent" and where a person has "a reasonable expectation of privacy."

There are lists of modifications that are being made to cell phones besides pictures, from new games to MP3 players. But will we become too reliant on our cell phones for convenience and information?

"I think we are reliant on technology period, but that's not necessarily a bad thing," Vacanti said. "We innovate for a reason and that is to utilize it. What is the point of technology if we can't use it?"



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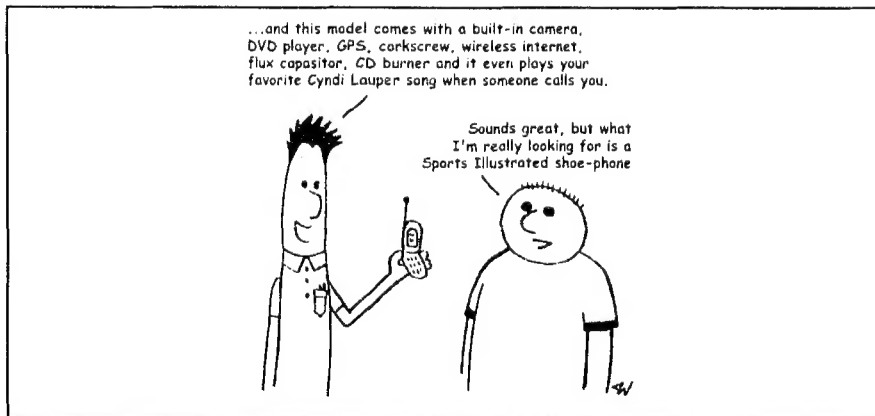
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Tribal governments discussed at Native American Heritage Month Event

SARAH HAHN

Staff writer

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, Wynema Morris, a Nebraska Humanities speaker and member of the Omaha tribe, gave a presentation on Native American tribal governments Nov. 12 in the Milo Bail Student Center.

In attendance were professors of Native American descent, as well as some of their students and other interested individuals. Morris also brought her mother and sister to the presentation.

The environment for the presentation was very relaxed; Morris spoke without the use of a microphone. She explained her ideas in a way the audience could easily understand and also answered questions at the end of her presentation.

As an enrolled member of the Omaha tribe, Morris explained how there is a one-dimensional stereotype of Native Americans.

"People are shocked when they find out Native Americans have governments," she said.

Morris went explained the history behind the colonization of the Americas and how it affected Native American tribes.

Another focus of the presentation, however, was how the United States borrowed the current model for their government from the governments of Native Americans.

"The model isn't after the Greeks," she said. "There was no true freedom in Greece."

Another aspect of Native American government Morris discussed was that of sovereignty. She explained that in Native American government, sovereignty lies within the people and how leaders are chosen.

"Our freedom rested in being able to choose our leaders," she said. "If the people did not like the leader, the leader could be replaced."

Morris was also very concerned

about the United States recognizing the sovereignty of Native American tribes. She said the only thing she wanted was full recognition of tribal sovereignty.

"I feel very strongly about the healthy continuation of tribal governments," she said.

What Native American tribes want from the United States government, Morris said, was a purely political relationship and federal recognition of sovereign Native American governments.

"I want [Native American governments] to exist forever, not as brown-skinned people but as governments," she said. "Morris said she just wants people to look at Native American peoples differently than they have in the past."

"Let's not look at American Indians with a one-sided view of culture and anthropology," she said. "Look at the other side, because that is where you'll find the whole Indian."

Stolen Kisses promote fall release

JESSICA RIAL

Staff writer

Stolen Kisses, fronted by UNO undergraduate Chris Kramer, offers local fans something different. A blend of 80's pop and electronica, Kramer and band mate Nick Rowland have been cultivating their sound since the fall of 2002.

With the August self-release of their first album, Motionless and White, Kramer hopes to bring the duo's dance-friendly music to bars and basements across the metro.

"I think there's not very many people doing innovative things in Omaha," explains Kramer.

With roots in acoustic music, Kramer and Rowland came upon electronic music after purchasing a drum machine and an electric guitar. The pair began co-writing new material for their album during the fall of 2002.

The pair played a forty-minute set to a full crowd this past weekend with Roarbot and The Fulcrum at O'Leaver's Pub. Vocalist Sarah Xiong joined the pair for a performance of "I've got mine."

"O'Leaver's offers music greatly different from the typical Omaha bar scene," Kramer said, as he turned to the crowd.

Stolen Kisses next gig will be Dec. 19th at O'Leaver's Pub, which is located on 50th Street and Saddle Creek Road.



photo by Jessica Rial

Lead singer of Stolen Kisses, Chris Kramer.

It's Hip-Hop and it don't stop: The latest news in the industry...

LEIA BAEZ

Entertainment editor

-Russell Simmons' non-profit Hip-Hop Summit Action Network will host the

First Annual Action Awards benefit and dinner, which will take place tonight in New York City. Clothing designer Tommy Hilfiger, moguls Sean "P. Diddy" Combs and Shawn "Jay-Z" Carter and the President Pepsi-Cola North America, Dawn Hudson, will be awarded for their roles in community activism and youth empowerment. The event will honor these individuals and others for their work and dedication to the community and youth empowerment.

-Irv "Gotti" Lorenzo is in the process of changing the name of his label

Murder Inc. to The Inc. in an attempt to shed negative connotations surrounding the older moniker.

"I am changing the name so people can just try and focus on our music and not our name," Lorenzo told AllHipHop.com. "I've been making hits now for close to ten years in this game. All everyone seems to want to focus on is the word 'murder.'"

A press conference is scheduled in the near future to announce the name change. On that day, Lorenzo intends to announce that he will no longer use the name "Gotti."



~ Jennifer Lopez and her Sweetface Fashion Company have announced a deal to launch a new line of lingerie. The JLO by Jennifer Lopez collection will debut on at fashion shows in March and is expected to hit department stores in fall 2004. The intimate apparel is the latest addition to a fashion empire that has more than \$175 million worth of merchandise and includes sportswear, swimwear, kids' clothing, handbags, belts, hats, gloves and fragrances.

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Taj brings taste of India to Miracle Hills

PAUL FREELAND

Senior staff writer

While I'm as big a fan of Asian cuisine as you'll find, I must admit that my experience with Indian food is more than a little lacking.

It is fortunate, then, that The Taj is among the newest residents of the Miracle Hills Plaza. The Taj opened for business on July 10 and they offer a number of traditional Indian appetizers, entrees and desserts.

The smell of curry is prevalent from the instant one walks into the restaurant. The storefront almost entirely consists of windows, so the dining area is well lit and only further enhances the bright colors of some of the dishes.

After consulting the menu and asking a few questions of the wait staff, I settled on the *chicken tikka masala*, a recommended dish for those new to Indian food. Boneless pieces of chicken are marinated in yogurt and spices, barbecued and sautéed in tomato sauce. The resulting dish features tender chicken pieces in a bright orange sauce. The

dish, like all chicken and lamb specialties, is served with bright yellow rice and papad, a crispy bread item. A red, cilantro-based chutney or a green mint and jalapeno chutney is used as a dipping sauce for the papad.

I also ordered garlic *naan*, a superfine flour bread that is baked fresh in the restaurant. The smell of fresh bread and garlic together was music to my nostrils. I finished off the meal with a dessert called *kheer*, a sweet made from milk and rice with saffron, nuts and raisins. The *kheer's* mild sweetness offered a soothing finish to a meal packed with flavor.

As I went on a Sunday afternoon, the cost of the meal was a bit higher at \$12.06. The *chicken tikka masala* was \$6.99, the garlic *naan* was \$2.29 and the *kheer* was \$1.99. The Taj offers lunch specials from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday with chicken entrees costing \$4.99 and lamb entrees costing \$5.99.

In addition to the chicken and lamb options, The Taj offers eight different vegetarian specialties. The most popular



photo by Danelle Petersen

The Taj is located at 114th and Dodge. They offer a number of traditional Indian appetizers, entrees and desserts.

choices among those are the *dal makhani*, lentils sautéed in butter with fresh spices, and *chana masala*, chickpeas cooked in a cream sauce.

The Taj is open from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on weekdays, noon to 9:30 p.m. on

Saturdays and noon to 8:30 p.m. on Sundays. With reasonable prices and a helpful and knowledgeable staff, The Taj is a good outlet for those looking for an introduction to Indian food or a break from the everyday lunch selections.



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Shirley Terrell-Jordan and Tisha Holland perform "I Love the Lord."

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Regional wins put Mavs into NCAA quarterfinals

PAUL FREELEND

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Ashley Grace scored three goals in two games at the NCAA tournament as the UNO soccer team won the Central region last weekend @ Ak-Sar-Ben field.

UNO came from behind to beat Truman State 3-1 Friday and held off Minnesota State-Mankato Sunday to make the quarterfinals for the second straight season.

Maverick Head Coach Don Klosterman said his team had to dig deep to hold on in the regional final.

"It was an exciting game," Klosterman said. "It's a great win and a tough game. This always happens when we play Mankato. We get up on them, but they just keep coming. They never quit. We just kept digging and digging and we played tough. It wasn't pretty, but we did what we had to do. We have a bunch of players who just don't want to lose."

Truman State's Sara Murray gave her team an early lead in the first round against the Mavs, scoring in the 12th minute. Grace tied the score 10 minutes later on a feed from Haley Fries. Fries then put UNO in the lead in the 61st minute, heading home a Stephanie Kirby free kick.

Jessica Dotson finished off a solo run to put her team up 3-1.

Brytten Kraft opened the scoring against MSM,

sticking home a loose ball in the penalty area in the 32nd minute. Grace then doubled her team's lead in the 53rd minute by finishing a Fries cross.

Mankato turned up the pressure on UNO and pulled within a goal through Amber Dusosky. The forward scored her 18th goal of the season after receiving a pass that broke her in one-on-one with Mav goalkeeper Amy Price.

Grace restored the Mavs two-goal edge six minutes later. Megan Herzberg collected Jessica Dotson's header and played a through ball to Grace. Grace finished to give UNO a 3-1 lead.

Danni Klinsing put MSM back in the match less than a minute later. Klinsing collected a deflected ball and rolled her shot inside the far post to make the score 3-2.

MSM continued to pile on the pressure as UNO was forced to play deep in their defensive third of the field. Kraft said the Mavs knew

they couldn't afford a defensive mistake.

"It was so intense," Kraft said. "All you could think about was if we gave up one goal, the game would be tied. We just had to play defense. [They] were coming at us hard, but we held on."

UNO held on to improve to 16-3-2 with the victory while Mankato's season ended at 15-6-2. The Mavericks will play Northern Kentucky, 4-3 winners over Grand Valley State in the Great Lakes region, in a rematch of the 2002 quarterfinals. The Mavs won 1-0 at Northern Kentucky last season en route to the NCAA championship match.

Klosterman said his team was looking forward to playing the Norse.

"It won't be an easy game," Klosterman said. "Northern Kentucky will have the revenge factor going for them, but we'll be playing at home and on grass. We're playing really good ball right now and we have everybody in the right place. Northern Kentucky is a good team and they play tough. It'll be some great competition."



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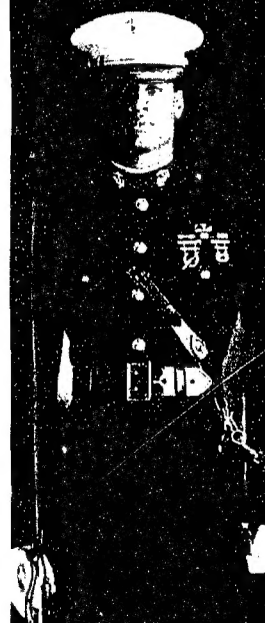
UNO's Brytten Kraft tries to work her way around Mankato's Randi Warhol.



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Jessica Dotson tries to get the ball from Truman's Lisa Manns. UNO defeated Truman 3-1.

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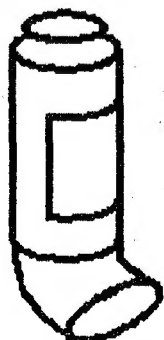
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Mavs split feisty series with Northern Michigan

BRIAN BRASHAW
Sports editor

In what were essentially two one-goal games, the Maverick hockey team took two of four conference points this weekend against Northern Michigan.

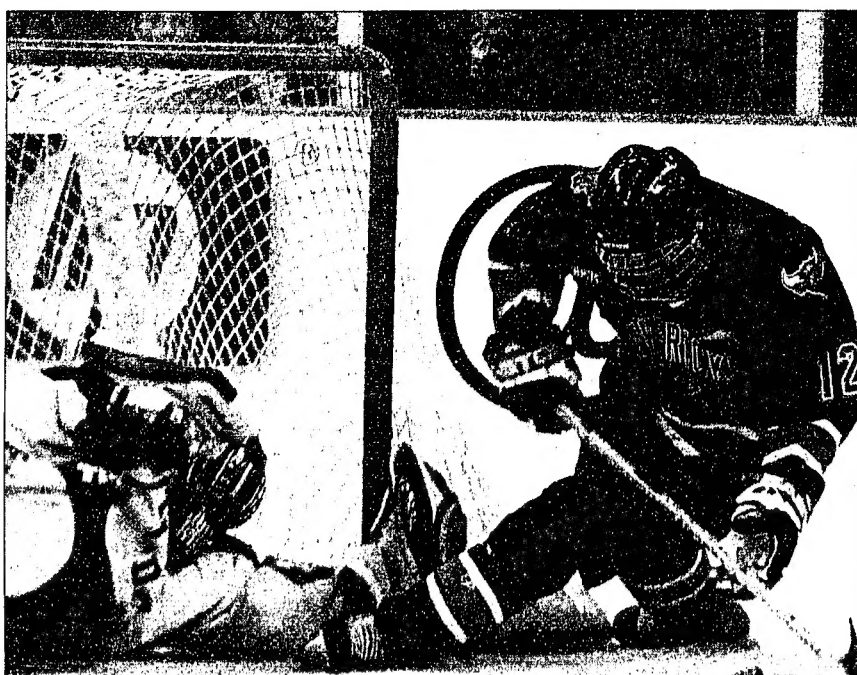
UNO took the Friday game 2-1 on an outstanding performance by freshman goalie Kris Tebbs. The Wildcats came back Saturday and won 4-2 on an equally brilliant performance by their senior goalie Craig Kowalski.

UNO improved to 2-7-1 on the year and moved into at three way tie for ninth in the league. Northern Michigan stayed .500 at 5-5-0 and are in a two-way tie for sixth in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

Northern Michigan did everything right Friday. The Wildcats played the body well, generated shots, scored first and Kowalski was solid. Still, the Mavericks came away with a 2-1 win in front of 8,817 at the Qwest Center.

UNO got a third-period goal from freshman Brent Kisio, his first as a Maverick, to win the game. The puck never touched Kisio's stick, but rather his helmet. A Mike Cabinet shot chipped up and deflected off a streaking Kisio and into the net.

"So much of hockey is getting pucks to the net and that was one of those where guys went to the net, got to the net and we got that



UNO's Josh Weeks takes a shot on NMU's Craig Kowalski Friday night.

rebound," UNO Head Coach Mike Kemp said. "Kisio has a real hockey sense about him. He's around the puck all the time, and he's just a real smart hockey player."

Tebbs, who hadn't started a hockey game since April of 2001, however, outdid Kowalski.

He redshirted for UNO last year, but on Friday recorded 23 saves for his first win in his first college start.

"It was a lot of fun and the guys played well in front of me. It's a lot easier when the guys are playing well for you," Tebbs said. "I've

been trying to focus more in practice and we're all trying to push each other."

Northern Michigan's only goal, the first goal of the game, came on a two-man advantage power play.

UNO tied the game in the second period when freshman and leading scorer Scott Parse scored a goal reminiscent of last Friday's brilliance. In transition, Parse took the puck down on a 2-on-2. He shook both defenders, deiked Kowalski and scored low stick-side.

Kemp said it may have been the best 60 minutes the Mavericks have played this season.

"It certain was our most solid," Kemp said. "Far better than last Friday night fundamentally."

But on Saturday, Kowalski got the better of Tebbs. K-Wal made 34 saves, including 16 in the first period to preserve the win.

"I think this was important, we have an off week next week so it makes things different for us to go into the two weeks off with a win under our belts," Northern Michigan University Head Coach Walt Kyle said. "It's real important that the guys go back and enjoy a victory."

There were two sophomore 'Cats who made the difference. Nathan Oystnick, sporting the unorthodox No. 74, opened the scoring and

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Volleyball team reaches potential in season closer

J. PARKER ADAIR
Senior staff writer

The UNO volleyball team finally showed its potential in dominating a highly ranked opponent. Unfortunately, it was in the last match of the season.

Thursday night, the Mavericks traveled to South Dakota in the DakotaDome and won the season finale in four sets 30-21, 30-28, 26-30, 30-24. Most figured the match to be a formality before USD would roll into the NCAA Division II national tournament.

That did not include Maverick volleyball players or coaches. The team had underachieved all season long, winning only two conference matches, including a near month-long span without a victory. Coach Rose Shires and the team kept their spirits up, which helped them garner a

victory.

When the first game concluded, Coyote fans were in for the shock of the season... up to that point. By a 30-21 score and a .295 hitting percentage, UNO had announced its presence in the Dakota Dome.

Coming in, South Dakota was ranked sixth in the region and had to win to hold onto that spot and the NCAA tournament berth that went along with it. Now they were reeling and the Mavericks had momentum headed into game two.

The Coyotes went back on the prowl and in the form they had shown all season. As the game drew closer to its end, the Mavericks were in a close battle. UNO has made it a habit all year long of losing close games. This would be the day the Mavs would break down another barrier. The visitors recorded a second victory and were

one win away from shaking up the region.

Lindsey Soukup and company would not let that happen. They wanted their shot at the NCAA's and showed it by defeating UNO 30-26 in game three, getting the home crowd behind them. South Dakota only hit .100 but they held UNO to a lousy .020.

By holding USD to such an abysmal hitting percentage, all the Mavs had to do was to raise theirs to where it had been and the match would be over.

That's just what they did in the fourth game. While holding the Coyotes to only a .038 percentage, UNO blasted a .197 clip of its own, taking the game 30-24.

With the game came the match and the biggest upset of the year behind UNO's 3-0 thrashing of then No. 17 Augustana.

Jenny Rankin led the crew with 20 kills and 24 digs and Amy McLeay recorded her

20th double-double of the season. McLeay coupled 13 kills with her season high 27 digs.

Chelsea Miller's 23 digs helped the Mavs to their season-high 116 total team digs.

That win ended the Mavericks' season and perhaps ended play for the Coyotes as well. The NCAA tournament begins next week, and the USD loss may be enough for North Dakota to slide into the sixth place regional slot.

UNO finished the season with a 12-18 overall record and 3-11 in the North Central Conference. Two of those wins came against possible NCAA tournament teams so the future looks bright for the Mavericks who lose only setter Kylie Lebeda next year.

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Basketball team pulls off win in season opener

PAUL FRANKLIN
Staff writer

The Mavericks rallied from a late deficit to upend the Warriors of Winona State 71-66 in the first road game of the season. Trailing by nine points with five minutes to play, the Mavs went on a 16-0 run to steal the victory. Senior forward Tola Dada came off the bench to lead the charge by scoring five of his team high 13 points in the final two minutes.

Winona State started the game strong, jumping out an early 18-11 lead of midway through the first half. Dada led the first comeback of the night by hitting a pair of lay-ups to start a Maverick rally that pulled them even at 28 by halftime.

After the half, Winona State went right back to work building a lead. Behind the hot hand of forward Travis Leech, who scored nine of his game-high 17 points in the second half's first 15 minutes, the Warriors reached their biggest edge at 60-51 with just over five minutes to play.

Junior Arthur Boults started the game-

deciding run for the Mavs by hitting a jumper with 4:16 left. Fellow junior Andre Tarpley then got hot, hitting a three-pointer, getting a steal, and scoring another quick basket to bring the Mavs within striking distance with just over three minutes to play.

Following a lay-up by senior C.J. Martin, Dada gave the Mavs their first lead since the first half by hitting a free throw and scoring on a put-back. Senior Ty Graham capped the 16-0 run by making a three-pointer and hitting two free throws, giving the Mavs a 67-60 lead with 47 seconds left.

Refusing to give in, the Warriors made a late push to cut the Maverick lead to three points, but solid free throw shooting in the final minute from Dada and sophomore Zac Robinson sealed the 71-66 victory.

Despite trailing most of the game, the Mavs out-shot the Warriors and won the turnover battle 22-17. The Mavericks have a week to prepare for their next competition, when they will travel to Golden, Colo. to take part in the Colorado Mines Tournament.

Wildcats may have baited Mavericks into rivalry

BRIAN BRASHAW

Sports editor

Here fishy, fishy, fishy.

Every college hockey team has its traditions. One that has developed for the Maverick hockey team is throwing a fish on the ice after UNO's first goal. A symbolic gesture meant to humiliate the goalie and tell him to "fish" the puck out of the net.

Northern Michigan Head Coach Walt Kyle was not amused. Neither was his team. A Northern Michigan freshman forward, Pat Bateman, jabbed the fish away from the Mavboni, towards the boards after UNO's first goal Saturday night. That stunt led to a brawl in front of the NMU bench and resulted in 38 minutes in penalties including two 10-minute game misconducts, one to Bateman and one to UNO captain Mike Lefley, who also collected four minutes in minor penalties.

"I was on the ice after scoring the goal, so we were doing our normal thing, going around tapping the players," Lefley said. "Buddy goes along there hitting the fish away from the guy, so one of our guys gave him a shot, then (Brent) Kisio was getting held and guys were swinging at him and I can't let that happen. I couldn't believe I got 14 minutes for what I did. If they wanted me to give them 14 minutes, I could've."

The fish incident Saturday was the tip of the iceberg for Kyle in the two-year history between these two teams, and Kyle made it clear after the game that the whole situation got under his scales.

"Last year, we came in here and honest to God, they make a chicken shit call on a curved stick. Nobody makes that call. Then last night we put the wrong starting goalie in and he (Kemp) goes to the ref and asks for a penalty. You know, chicken shit," Kyle said. "You don't do that, so our guys are

pissed. They throw that fish out tonight and one of our guys goes over and whacks it and gets a 10-minute misconduct for hitting a fish. I'm telling you now that's a delay of game. If that Zamboni comes out again, we're calling the league, it's a delay of game penalty. The league's got to handle that. Its not hockey, its paper shuffling."

Kyle cleared the air about his feelings about Kemp saying he liked Kemp and that he had a lot of respect for him and his staff. But ...

"Anywhere I've ever coached, those are chicken shit. C-H-I-C-K ..."

Does this brew any bad blood between the teams or the players?

"No," Kyle said. "I just don't want to win in a paper shuffle. Let's drop the puck and let's play. I don't care, he beat me last night, it's fine he deserved it."

Kemp wouldn't get baited into any severe reaction to Kyle's comments. Kemp simply defended the tradition that has

come to be at UNO.

"I don't fault our guys for that. At some point in time, you're not going to get pushed around," Kemp said. "Its part of the tradition. It's part of the entertainment, part of the aura. It's one of those things where that's what college hockey should be. If he wants to stir it up, that's fine. That's his choice."

But like Kyle, Kemp insists there is no bad blood between the two.

The whole situation develops a nice healthy rivalry between the teams that goes back to UNO's first season in the CCHA. UNO got their first league points and first playoff series win in Marquette, Mich. and the two have played close games since. To make the water even more murky, the teams are slated in the same cluster next year, meaning they will play each other four times. UNO may just get a rival yet.

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couple has been dating for about 16 months.

"I would like to see her come out of this perfectly fine," Noack said.

Brad and her family are two important parts of her life. Snodgrass made it her duty to watch after them. Now, her family is watching

after her by showing support through her recovery.

"She definitely took the time out to take care of the people she loved," Sierks said.

With no recovery prognosis available at this time, Jaime's family and friends continue to stay positive and take it one day at a time.

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Patrick Murphy got the game winner in the second period.

With Kowalski stopping 16 shots in the first period, Northern Michigan got the confidence boost they needed and took the lead first.

With Pat Bateman tangled up with a UNO defender at the blue line, Oystriek followed the play down and collected the loose puck and beat Tebbs on the breakaway at 9:46 of the first.

"It's easy to build off a goalie that's playing well," Tebbs said. "He made a few big saves early on and they got into the game pretty quick."

UNO tied the bout 39 seconds into the second period on sophomore captain Mike Lefley's fourth goal of the season on a second-effort attempt on the wrap-around.

After the goal, an old-fashioned hockey brawl broke out spawned by Bateman's disrespect towards a UNO tradition of throwing a fish on the ice after the first

Mavericks goal. The result was a total of 36 penalty minutes, two 10-minute misconducts and a Wildcat power play.

"That was the turning point of the game, right there," Kyle said.

Kemp agreed.

"They wanted to establish that kind of flow to the game and certainly they got the kind of distraction they wanted and it worked to their benefit," Kemp said. "That turned the momentum a bit. The momentum could have gone our way [after the goal]. The flow disrupted right away after that."

Northern scored two goals in the second period, including the game-winner by Murphy, which, much like Kisio's game-winner Friday, didn't touch his stick either.

A shot from the point pinballed in traffic, hit Murphy's skate and sailed by Tebbs.

"It hit probably three guys and just went around me," Tebbs said. "It was kind of like Plinko, I guess."

UNO travels to CCHA last-place Ferris State next weekend.

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photo by Chris Machian

Joshua Carrell sets the machines on the last show in the Kountze Planetarium last winter.

off the other rooms."

The planetarium has been at UNO since 1986. It originally had been used as a dual-use room until the early '90s.

Kriegler said under the current plan,

classes would use the planetarium in the morning, while schools could continue to see programs in the afternoon. The renovation project would not bring back the laser light shows or weekend star shows.

Whether the plan will be carried out is written in the stars. Negotiations for funding are still going on, Kriegler said.

"I believe it will probably, more than likely turn into a classroom by

next fall," he said. But he added that it is not certain whether the room will be upgraded with modern technology.

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pretty much anything else offered while downing lager after lager. The only way it could get any better than this would be if they offered a fully stocked bar and a strip club attached to the side of the building. But hey, they are open until midnight on the weekends.

You might be wondering how much all this is going to cost you for an evening of entertainment. Surprisingly, it's not as much as you might think.

Most of the activities are pretty cheap: bumper cars, spaceball and jumpshot, space bikes and micro bowling are all \$3.50 or under. Laser tag, mini golf and rock climbing (the 20-footer) are \$5 each. Almost all of the arcade games are two tokens each (50 cents) and the golf cage is just four tokens.

Food and beverage prices are about average for an entertainment venue. Beer will

organization is collecting winter coats for men, women and children living in area shelters. People can drop off their donations in a marked box in

the entrance area of University Library. For more information, contact Deb

Ekeler at 554-2995.

UNO celebrates World Aids Day Dec. 1

UNO will celebrate World Aids Day Dec. 1 with a luncheon at noon in the Student Center Dodge Room. The event will feature a speaker from the Nebraska Aids Project. Free pizza and pop will be served. From 1 to 3 p.m., free, confidential HIV antibody testing/counseling will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis in Student Health Services, located on the first floor of the MBSC. Quick Pro Testing will provide results

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resources in a poor nation, unequal development between the North and South and a lack of access to government for the Southerners.

The war, which has claimed more than 2.7 million lives and displaced more than 5 million people, has been largely ignored by the Western world, he said. The United States did not begin to get involved until the last two years.

"If there was nothing called September 11, nobody in Washington would have really realized there was a problem in Sudan," Chang said, because many terrorists have been trained in Northern Sudan.

What's happening in the country is a clash of civilizations, he said, and the current government is not the government to bring peace to the nation.

within 20 minutes. The UNO Gay and Lesbian Organization and Student Health Services sponsor the celebration. The Nebraska Aids Project Student Health Services are sponsoring the testing. For more information, contact Kristin Parks, graduate assistant in Student Health Services, at 554-3183 or kkparks@mail.unomaha.edu.

MPH student to present service learning lecture Dec. 1 at UNMC

Sumit Mukherjee will give an oral presentation on his service learning/capstone experience Dec. 1 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The program will begin at 8 a.m. in Wittson Hall, room 3042. Mukherjee is a UNO/UNMC Master of Public Health student. For more information, contact Jumoke Omojola at 561-7567.

Chang's message to Sudanese students in America is to work hard and reach out to the American community because they have a chance

here to help the Southern Sudanese.

"You must love one another. You must be united," he said. "Know that what brought you here is the same problem."

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Tues., Nov. 18th

7:30 am Catholic Campus Ministry
11 am Pi Kappa Alpha
11:30 am International Career Seminar
12 noon Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
12 noon Student Organizations
1 pm Emerging Leaders Interviews
2 pm SAP Meeting
2 pm Interviewing
5:30 pm Alpha Xi Delta
6 pm Christ on Campus
6 pm Kappa Delta Pi
6:30 pm Davis Banquet
6:30 pm Alpha Xi Delta
7:30 pm Lambda Theta Nu

Wed., Nov. 19th

7:30 am Campus Crusade
8 am Booz-Allen
11 am Study Abroad Panel
11 am Pi Kappa Alpha
12 noon African American Organization
12 noon ALAS
12 noon National Panhellenic Council
12 noon UNO Black Women
12 noon International Music Student Recital
12:30 pm Golden Key
2 pm Emerging Leaders Interviews
2 pm Applied Underwriters
2 pm Annual Enrollment/Self Service

2:30 pm Graduate Council Committee A
2:30 pm Metz Doctoral Committee
2:30 pm Faculty Personnel & Welfare
3 pm CCSW
5 pm Theta Chi
7 pm NSSLHA
7 pm Network for disAbled Students

Thurs., Nov. 20th

9:30 am Sexual Harassment
10 am Consider This . . .
11 am Native American Panel Discussion
12 noon Tobacco Cessation
1 pm SHAC
1 pm Emerging Leaders Interviews
1 pm Communication Department Forum
1:30 pm Academic Advisors
1:30 pm PA DPC Meeting
2:30 pm Panhellenic
5:30 pm Christ on Campus
6 pm Delta Sigma Pi
6 pm Order of Omega
6:30 pm Sigma Gamma Rho
7 pm Student Government
7 pm Delta Sigma Pi
8 pm Campus Crusade

Fri., Nov. 21st

8 am Latina Youth Conference
8:30 am Women of Color Awards Planning Committee
11 am Music Department
12 noon UNO Black Women
12 noon Student Leadership Council
12 noon Alcoholics Anonymous

12 noon Interfraternity Council
12 noon The Grove
2 pm Emerging Leaders Interviews
2 pm Judicial Board
4 pm Air Force ROTC
5 pm Edge/Focus
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
9 pm NCNW

Sat., Nov. 22nd

9 am African American History Challenge
11 am Zeta Tau Alpha

Sun., Nov. 23rd

2 pm Zeta Tau Alpha
4 pm Sigma Kappa
4:30 pm ROSAS
5 pm Pi Kappa Alpha
5 pm Phi Beta Sigma
5:30 pm Lambda Chi Alpha
6 pm Sigma Lambda Beta
6 pm Student Gaming Org.
6:30 pm Theta Chi
6:30 pm Zeta Phi Beta
7 pm Theta Chi

Mon., Nov. 24th

11:30 am ABET
12 noon The Grove
12 noon AA
12 noon Master Success
12 noon Faculty Development
Brown Bag
4 pm Criminal Justice Student Organization
5 pm Chi Omega

8 pm Circle K
8 pm College Democrats
8:15 pm Christian Student Fellowship

Tues., Nov. 25th

7:30 am Catholic Campus Ministry
12 noon Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
3 pm Delta Epsilon Chi
4 pm SHAC
5:30 pm Alpha Xi Delta
6 pm Traffic Appeals
6 pm Christ on Campus
6:30 pm Alpha Xi Delta
7 pm Amnesty International
7:30 pm Lambda Theta Nu

Wed., Nov. 26th

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Thurs., Nov. 27th

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Fri., Nov. 28th

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Sat., Nov. 29th

No Events

Sun., Nov. 30th

6 pm Student Gaming Org.

Mon., Dec. 1st

9 am SHAC
11 am AAO - World Aids Day
11 am Music Department
12 noon AA
12 noon World Aids Day
12 noon Master Success
12 noon Cultural Awareness Programs
5 pm Chi Omega
8 pm Circle K
8:15 pm Christian Student Fellowship

Tues., Dec. 2nd

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9 am Annual Enrollment/Self Service
11 am Psychic Suzanna
11 am SPO Mission IMPROVable
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3 pm College of Education Faculty
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6 pm Christ on Campus
6:30 pm Alpha Xi Delta
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